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**Mrs. Eaton Says
Papers Foster War**

A "paper curtain" is blocking the American people from understanding international tension, Mrs. Cyrus Eaton charged here yesterday.

She spoke at a luncheon of the Cleveland Engineering Society at the Cleveland Engineering and Scientific Center.

"The newspapers and the air waves never admit of any alternative to total war," Mrs. Eaton said. "How come publications are always encouraging war? How come they give the impression that a thermonuclear war would be less than complete destruction?"

Mrs. Eaton, who is known with her industrialist husband for their personal efforts on behalf of Soviet-American friendship, said she did not believe the American democratic humanist system could survive total war.

Crowd Is Large

"Those silly pictures Life magazine ran," she said. "A teenager sipping a Coca-Cola and talking on the telephone to her beau from a blast shelter. Ohio Bell is good, but not that good. Telephones and everything else would end with a thermonuclear war."

An unusually large luncheon crowd heard Mrs. Eaton ques-

tion whether civil government, meaning elected officials, had not lost their power to the "military-industrial complex, the people who would rather have fat defense contracts than peace."

Speaking of a bridge of understanding between West and East, Mrs. Eaton used terms chosen for her audience of engineers.

Questions Rights

"If you were building a bridge," she said, "you would measure the stress and strain. You would know your materials and your design. You wouldn't put your sacred honor where a good strong concrete pillar should be and expect it to stand up through wishful thinking."

She questioned U.S. rights in Berlin and indicated in a question period after her talk that the Hungarian rebellion had been inspired by the CIA the same way it sponsored the abortive Cuban invasion.

"We either live with the Russians or die with them," she said.

"We cannot fight a war to save democracy any more, because such a war would destroy democracy," she went on. "And if thermonuclear war does make this an empty, lifeless planet, it will be our fault."

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